Claims

1. (previously presented) A recombinant promoter, capable of driving expression of a transgene operably linked to the promoter, wherein the promoter comprises nucleotides 398-853 of SEQ ID NO: 17.

2.-6. (Cancelled)

7. (previously presented) A vector, comprising the recombinant promoter of claim 1.

8. (previously presented) A host cell, comprising the vector of claim 7.

9. (previously presented) A transgenic plant, comprising the host cell of claim 8.

10. (previously presented) A transgene, comprising the promoter of claim 1 and at least one ORF operably linked to the promoter.

11. (previously presented) A vector, comprising the transgene of claim 10.

12. (previously presented) A plant cell, comprising the transgene of claim 10.

13. (original) The transgene of claim 10, wherein the ORF encodes a cationic peptide.

14. (Cancelled)

15. (Currently amended) A method for expressing at least one protein in a Douglas-fir host cell, comprising:

introducing a transgene comprising an ORF and the recombinant promoter of claim 1 into a Douglas-fir host cell; and

allowing the Douglas-fir host cell to produce a protein from the ORF.

16. - 20. (Cancelled)

21. (currently amended) The recombinant promoter of claim ~~19~~ 1, wherein the promoter is expressable in gametophytic tissue.

22. - 47. (Cancelled)

48. (previously presented) The promoter of claim 1, wherein the promoter comprises nucleotides 180-853 of SEQ ID NO: 17.

49. - 53. (Cancelled)

54. (previously presented) The promoter of claim 1, wherein the promoter comprises the nucleic acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 17.